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The following is a list of recalls, repair programs and consumer warnings and notices about a variety of consumer products. Many, but not all, of the notices are recent in nature. However, because consumers may miss initial notice of recalls, never receive recall notification from the manufacturer, purchase products used or have recalled products passed along to them, the list may include information about products which have been previously recalled but are still in circulation.

Arrowhead Mills, Hereford, TX has a recall on 890 cases (12 bags per case); and 1,101 cases (12 boxes per case) of Arrowhead Mills brand (a) Maple Nut Granola, in 16 ounce bags; (b) Agrain & Agrain Ready to Eat Cereal with Oat Bran, in 10 ounce boxes. All lots of this product are being recalled because they are superpotent for sodium content and were distributed nationwide. Consumers should return the recalled product to the place of purchase.

Playskool, Inc., of Pawtucket, RI, (a subsidiary of Hasbro, Inc.) is recalling 40,000 Color 'n Contrast Busy Boxes, Item No. 5388,

distributed from the end of March 1989 through the beginning of May 1989. The Company has determined that the printed red logo on the product may exceed the 0.06% lead content limit established by federal law. Consumers should discontinue use of the Color 'n Contrast Busy Box and return the box to the retail store where purchased for a refund of the purchase price. Consumers may also return them to Playskool, Inc., 110 Pitney Road, Lancaster, PA 17602, for a refund of \$15.00. Retailers and distributors who presently carry this product should contact Playskool, Inc., to arrange for the disposition of the item. For further information about this nationwide recall, consumers may call toll-free 1-800-237-0063 and ask for Connie Greene.

Chrysler Corporation has a recall on 468,000 1984-1987 full-size vans, wagons, pickups and sport utility vehicles. These vehicles are being recalled because they exceed the federal evaporative-emission standard. Only those vehicles equipped with 5.2 liter gasoline engines are affected by the recall. High-altitude vehicles are not included. Corrective action entails adjusting the carburetor bowl-vent valve which controls evaporative emissions. Consumers should contact their local dealership regarding inspection and correction.

Century Products Company of Macedonia, Ohio is taking action to retrofit approximately 100,000 "Seamore the Action Seahorse" Tub and Pool Toys, model 2772, because of a potential choking hazard. The push-nut and neck-pin located on the neck of the seahorse can be removed by a young child and swallowed. These bath rings were sold

nationwide from March 1986 to December 1988 for approximately \$25.00. The seahorse is a plastic infant seat shaped like a rocking horse. Rubber suction cups on the bottom of the seat secure the seat to the bath tub or wading pool. Water spouts out of the horse's mouth when the head is rocked. Consumers should check the manufacture date code to determine if their unit is covered by this retrofit program. The date code is located on both the packing carton and the underside of the seat which can be seen through the three holes located on the bottom. Only units bearing date codes of 8812 or less require repair. A repair kit can be ordered from Century Products Company by calling 1-800-392-6500. Date codes over 8812 indicate that improved neck-pin assemblies are in place and are not being retrofitted. Consumers may also write to Century Products Company at 9600 Valley View Road, Macedonia, Ohio 44056: Attention: Seamore Neck Pin for a free repair kit.

Coca Cola Foods, Plymouth, Florida has a recall on MINUTE MAID NATURAL FRUIT PUNCH, in 64 ounce waxed paper cartons. The recalled product has APR 28R printed on one side of the top end flap and B1068 embossed on the other side of the top end flap. The product is being recalled because it is contaminated with a chlorine and water mixture, and was distributed in South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee. Consumers should return the recalled product to the place of purchase.

Consumers should be aware that there is a recall on 113,200 1989 Ford Thunderbird and 1989 Mercury Cougar vehicles because of a problem with the brakes/suspension on passenger cars. Due to

contact between the brake caliper of the inboard front wheel and the front stabilizer bar, there may be increased brake pedal travel following low-speed turning maneuvers. This could result in a reduction in brake performance that could result in an accident. Corrective action entails installing acorn-type front suspension strut nuts to eliminate stabilizer bar-to-brake caliper contact. Consumers should contact their local dealership regarding the appropriate inspection and correction.

Proctor & Gamble, Caracas, Venezuela; City Line Distributors, Valley Stream, New York has a recall on 80,020 tubes of Crest Toothpaste with Sodium Fluoride, in 5 ounce tubes. All lots of this product are being recalled because the Venezuelan manufactured product was not intended for nor exported by the manufacturer. This product is being recalled due to the lack of compliance with the FDA labeling requirements. This product was distributed in all states east of the Mississippi River. Consumers should return the recalled product to the place of purchase.

The preceding information has been compiled from a variety of sources by the S. C. Dept. of Consumer Affairs. Consumers with questions or complaints about these and other products or services can contact the S. C. Dept. of Consumer Affairs by writing the agency at P. O. Box 5757, Columbia, SC 29250 or calling toll free 1-800-922-1594.